MR. MANTELL IN A REVIVAL OF "THE MARBLE HEART."

Mock Heroics and Moth Eaten Platitudes of This Drama Which Once Was All the Hage Cause Amusement, but There Is Hearty Applause for the Star.

The rare joy of seeing Robert Mantell in trousers was afforded at the Academy of Music last evening, when for the co-casion he abandoned the classic tights and togas for the purpose of reviving that ancient and tattered thing called "The Marble Heart."

It is hard to believe that about half a century ago "The Marble Heart" was all the rage, that all the young and handsome actors were tumbling over one another for the privilege of enacting the part of the artist whose life is ruined by a chilly female who loves but gold. Even Edwin Booth did not disdain the part. Indeed, his was the first production of the play in the country, an event which occurred in San Francisco in 1855.

Not genius itself could ever have made .The Marble Heart" anything but the most obvious sort of third rate shoddy, and the great popularity which it achieved when it was first produced is the very best reason in the world for thinking that the standard of public taste to-day, however lamentable it may be, is yet a vast improvement over the standard that prevailed in the ante-bellum days.

They write some pretty bad plays in these days, but they don't write anything as bad as "The Marble Heart," or if they do it doesn't get by the much abused managers. Even last hight's audience, which was clearly desirous of expressing the highest respect for Mr. Mantell and his company, was frankly amused at the mock heroics, the motheaten platitudes mock heroics, the motheaten platitudes and the childishly obvious quality of the whole funny old piece. They applauded Mr. Mantell as he shouted: "Take it official Mr. Mantell while considered and hunted convict to an awakened man, respectively. The condidity the while they were applauding. Mr. Mantell, to tell the truth, does not appear to advantage in "The Marble Heart." Nobody could in these days when even the least sophisticated theatregors are beginning, thanks to Ibsen and Sudermann and the rest of the prophets of verity, to demand something at least remotely resembling humanity upon the stage. But Mr. Mantell lives so much in classic atmosphere that evening clothes and straw hats evidently occasion him marked discomfort. The result is that he is unable to make "The Marble Heart's seem any less absurd than it really is.

Nor in the attempt to do so does he receive much assistance from Marie Booth Russell, who appears as the marble hearted lady who follows the advice of hemercenary papa, who said to her: "Money! Money! Cling to it, me chee-ild! Cling to it as you would to a raft in a shipwreck! It is the all in all of our existence! Let your heart be marble to everything but gold-uh, gold-uh, gold-uh!" (Business of staring eyes and clutching at the heart.)

The good old days of the drama! The least of the grand of the play and the two as a stray of the grand of the play and the two as a stray of the grand of the play with every evidence of enjoyment and appreciation both for the play and the two actors.

The bill for the week at the Plays is an attractive one. A feature is the singing is first in a man's voice and then in a woman's, and then back to a man's again.

NEWS OF PLAYS AND PLAYERS.

Negotiations are under way here between one of the theatrical syndicates and Theodore A. Bingh and the childishly obvious quality of the

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The good old days of the drama! The painty days of "East Lynne," 'London Assurance' and "The Two Orphans' We hear a good deal about them from time to time and we begin to think perhaps they ought to be lamented. But icrium-sely as our sad tears are just shout to flow some good Samaritan come feng with a revival of "The Lady of Lycns" or "The Marble Heart' or some such pretentious sounding, hollow rub-sish and we dry our eyes somewhat hastily and we look about us and see "The Great Divide" or "The Witching and we begin to have our doubts about those palmy days.

CHANGE IN HEBREW CHARITIES.

Widowed Methers Fund Committee Ordered to Turn 6ver the Funds.

At a meeting of the Council of Jewish Communal Institutions which was held last night at Mount Sinal Hospital resolutions were passed formally ratifying the reservent of the committees which Just.

lutions were passed formally ratifying the report of the committee which Justice Samuel Greenbaum had appointed to confer with representatives from the United Hebrew Charities and the Widowed Mothers Fund Committee regarding the status of the latter organization. This report recommended that Mrs. William Einstein be sustained in her contention that the fund committee be allowed to exist as a separate organization, but stipulated that it should turn its funds

any provision for giving religious instruc-tion to the Jewish children who are sent there. It is the purpose of the council to make such instruction one of the principal features of the institution.

SIGNED BY GOV. HUGHES.

Bill Abolishing the Quarantine Commission and Transferring Its Duties.

ALBANY, May 17 .- Gov. Hughes has signed the bill transferring to Dr. Alvah H. Doty, the health officer of the Port of New York, the duties of the Quarantine Commission at that port and abolishing the Quarantine Commission. This new law follows a recommendation made by Gov. Hughes. The Quarantine Comby GoV. Hughes. The Quarantine Commission has been composed of three members, but Smith Pine of New York city is the only one now in office at a salary of \$2,500. He will hold office until June 1. An additional staff of employees is given Dr. Doty to carry on his increased work.

Black Handers will be dealt with more severely hereafter, as the Governor has signed Assemblyman Jackson's bill in-creasing the penalty for extortion and blackmail from five to fifteen years

BACK AT WELLESLEY.

President Hazard Resumes Her Duties After Absence Due to Ill Health.

Boston, May 17 .- Despite rumors of her intention to resign before the end of the present term Miss Caroline Hazard. of the present term Miss Caroline Hazard, president of Wellesley College, has returned and this morning resumed her duties.

She has been absent several months on account of ill health. Much of the time she spent in different parts of California, but for two weeks she has been at her old home at Peacedale, R. I.

Miss Hazard returns to work with her health greatly improved, although it is still not the best. Through her secretary, Miss Caswell, she denied to-day the rumor that she is to resign.

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Anti-Spitting Crusader Black Handed Now.

Miss Marian W. Cottle, a lawyer of 188 Fifth avenue, who had a man spitter arrested in the subway the other day, complained at Police Headquarters last night that somebody had sent her a so-called Black Hand letter. Miss Cottle said that she regretted the notoriety she got in the subway incident and had no idea that the newspaper men would find that she had reported the Black Hand matter.



HACKETT IN VAUDEVILLE. "The Bishop's Candlesticks" Proves as Acceptable Vehicle.

James K. Hackett is fortunate in having for his entrance into vaudeville so interesting a little play as "The Bishop's Candlesticks." which he presented for the first time in New York at the Plaza Music Hall last night.

The piece, in one act, is founded on the familiar episode from "Les Miserables" where the escaped convict steals the silver candlesticks from the kindly disposed Bishop and is later awakended to human emotions by the Bishop's sympathetic treatment of the act. Mr. Hackett gave

Monday evening, will be held at 4 P. M. to-day at the Gaiety Theatre. Joseph P. Day will conduct the sale. He will be assisted by Augustus Thomas, De Wolf Hopper, William Coller, Raymond Hitchcock, Robert Hilliard, William Hodge. George Fawcett, Wilton Lackaye, Joe Weber, Lew Fields, Jefferson De Angelis, Joseph Herbert, Clay Greene, Mort Smith, Thomas A. Wise, Douglas Fairbanks, Maclyn Arbuckle, Edward S. Abeles and J. R. Grismer.

Floredera Fisher Freed of Debts. John C. Fisher, theatrical manager, over to the United Hebrew Charities and over to the United Hebrew Charities of four representatives from each society who should meet bi-weekly in the offices of the United Hebrew Charities Building.

The council also voted to devote the sum of \$30,000 to taking over the Institution for the Improved Instruction of the Deaf and Dumb at Lexington avenue and Deaf and De

elthough this had been considered a JAMES T. WILLIAMS RESIGNS.
Jewish institution, there never had been Ill Health Forces Civil Service Commissioner to Bettre.

WASHINGTON, May 17 .- James T. Williams, Jr., of North Carolina has resigned as Civil Service Commissioner. reason given is ill health and he will go to Fort Bayard, N. M., at once. Mr. Williams, who was formerly a Washington correspondent, was appointed ington correspondent, was appointed Civil Service Commissioner by President Taft a few weeks ago. He resigned last year as Washington correspondent of the Boston Transcript to identify himself with the campaign of Mr. Taft for the nomination as President. Later at Mr. Taft's invitation he entered the national campaign and was secretary to Frank H. Hitchcook, chairman of the Republican national committee. He accompanied Mr. Taft on most of his trips in the campaign.

PIGEONS IN A STREET CAR And a Crippled One Underneath Whose Cries Moved Women to Action.

A Kingsbridge car running on Amsterdam avenue plunged into a flock of pigeons at 140th street yesterday afternoon so suddenly that several of the birds flew in at the open windows of the car. As the car went on there came from be-neath it an odd sound that so worked upon the feelings of the women passengers that they asked the conductor to stop and investigate.

nvestigate. He refused, but at 125th street, where He refused, but at 125th street, where the women appealed to an inspector, the car was sidetracked and an examination made. A pigeon with a broken wing was found crouched against the forward truck. Ehile the women were expressing their sympathy a boy grabbed the bird and fied.

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that could be desired.

After the big number they ranged themselves at the table, talking and having loads of fun, and suddenly Thomas Clarke, Jr., began skipping down the centre, evidently intent upon getting some one to dance with him. A hasty glance at the programme told you that it was the Furiant Dance. First he approached Mrs. Austen Gray, but she would have none of it. Just to get even Mr. Clarke frolicked across to where Mrs. J. B. Eustis was sitting, only to meet with a similar freception. One would have

They are going to have a vaudeville show to-morrow at 4 in the open air theatre, and then Delmonico will serve dinner at \$4 a head on the promenade behind the

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the Show Will Hold Forth for Three Days-Society Women in the Ballet. With the good right arm of Lydig Hoyt wound her slender black bodice, Mrs. Arthur Scott Burden leaned back until

in the open. Such at least was the contention of the young women with bars necks and shoulders when they weren't dancing. The man fared better, for their knees were the only portions exposed to the elements.

When the red velvet curtains first parted there was a stageful of Bohemian girls and men laughing and chatting as only persons can laugh and chat when they are listening for a music one. They did a belief with curtain was the case, and it involved a great amount of finger snapping and heel stamping and and it involved a great amount of finger snapping and heel stamping and and not the front of the stage were Mrs. Burden, Mrs. J. B. Eustis, Mrs. Arthur Iselin and Mrs. Aussen Gray, They danced in scarlet, green, pink, blue, yellow and plum colored akirta and their winds and charves the hospital authorities exercise greater and the street and help the principal did not be desired.

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similar freception. One would have thought that with such discouragements Mr. Clarke would have retired to his own thought that with such discouragements Mr. Clarke would have retired to his own obair. Possibly he had some such intention, for he turned away with a hop indicative of extreme dejection. But, would you believe it, just then both of those who had repulsed his terpsichorean advances were on their feet and at him. And such a dance as they had! High up in the air he would throw first one and then the other, and the whirls and jumps and spinnings that they did were absolutly amasing. When they sat down the scattering handful of spectators who were shivering out in front under the cloudcast sky joined in the hand-clapping which was in the stage business of the villagers.

Then came the waltz and afterward another big ballet, in which those who danced besides the ones already mentioned were Mrs. J. Gordon Douglas, Miss Katherine Atterbury, Miss Lucy Brown, Miss Julia Hoyt, Miss Ellen Rogers, Miss H. Dorothy Moran, T. Markoe Robertson, E. Gerry Chadwick, Edmund P. Rogers, Tiffany Richardson, Charles Draper, Newton Rae, Richard Lawrence, Seymour Johnson and William Iselin.

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resterday mildiy censured the Post Grad-

uate Hospital for the death of four-year

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New York Couple Marriage in London Hastened by Death's of Bride's Father. JANE G. PHELPS'S WILL FILED.

LONDON, May 17 .- Prof. Charles Waldtein, who has the chair of fine arts at -Requests Total \$800,000. Cambridge University, and Mrs. Theodore Seligman of New York were married cate, which the Board of Health refused Only a few friends were present. Among worker, whose country place adjoined to accept. Dr. O'Hanlon of the Coroner's them were Dr. Martin Waldstein, brother the estate of William Rockefeller, was office made an autopsy and found that of the bridegroom, and Lewis Einstein, filed with Surrogate Millard here to-day. It disposes of about \$800,000 worth of

of her sister Olivia Atterbury, \$2,500 each.
All the legacies to hospitals and institutions are in memory of Mrs. Phelps's
husband, who died many years ago.
The executors, John Mason Knox, D.
Willis James, Hanson C. Gibson and Helen
Louisa Gibson, are to have \$5,000 each in
addition to the usual compensation under

Luncheon.

James K. Hackett, the actor and the atrical manager, who filed a petition in bankruptcy on May 8, has obtained an order from Judge Hand of the United States District Court restraining Sheriff Foley from levying on his property or taking proceedings to sell the same or for the collection of judgments by executions issued by the city and municipal courts. Judgment creditors, including the New York Bill Posting Company, are stayed from further prosecuting their actions for twelve months. The Postal Telegraph Cable Company, a creditor for \$210; Wetzel & Hogan, tailors, creditors for \$610, and Mary Mannering Hackett, who has a claim in the Supreme Court for \$60,000 money loaned, are also restrained from further proceeding with their actions. NURSES' HOME ON BLACKWELL'S Hudson-Fulton Commission Appeals for Formally Opened With Speeches by Joseph H. Cheste and Others. A home for nurses connected with the metropolitan hospitals was opened yesterday on Blackwell's Island. The new build-

ing is four stories high and will accommosays the commission, "in the name of the date 125 nurses. It cost \$215,000 and in the name of the genius of our people in every walk of life, which has made New York the second city of the suitable celebration of our historical efectival. Such portion of the funds thus raised as are not expended on the educational features of the commemoration will be devoted to a permanent memorial." Checks are to be sent to Isaac N. Seligman, treasurer, 1 William street.

About 500 persons attended the opening exercises and listened to appeaches by Joseph H. Choate, president of the State Charlites Aid Association; William Rhine-lander Stewart, president of the State Board of Charlities; St. Clair MoKelway, vice-chancellor of the State Board of Charlites, and Dr. Royal S. Copeland, dean of the New York Homeopathic Medical College, Mrs. George B. McClellan, wife of the Mayor; Mrs. Francis M. Scott, wife of Justice Scott, and Mrs. W. K. Draper were among those present.

their sympathy a boy grabbed the bird and field.

BRANDENBURG IN THE TOMBS.

BE Jumped His Bail Once and Ne Beads man Offers New.

Broughton Brandenburg, the writer who was indicted for grand larceny upon charges growing out of his sale to the New York Interest to the supporting to have been written by the later (Gildren's court are looked after, B. Sargent, the architect, got the job and hen his case was called in the Criming a group of vacant lots into the Girover Cleveland and who jumped his bail when his case was called in the Criming in Branch of the Suprems Court on February 1 last, was brought before Justice FitsGerald in that court yesterday and committed to the Tombs to await tice FitsGerald in that court yesterday and committed to the Tombs to await to seem the Right Rev. David H. Greer will be committed to the Tombs to await to seem the Sheriff's office before going in the Sheriff's office before going in the Sheriff's office before going to the Tombs.

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\$40,000 Left to Hospitals and Churches

WHITE PLAINS. May 17 .- The will of Jane G. Phelps, widow of Anson B! Phelps,

Mrs. Thomas F. Walsh Entertains at

WASHINGTON, May 17.-Mrs. Thomas F. Walsh, who returned on Sunday from a visit to New York and Newport, entertained at luncheon to-day in honor of Miss Josephine Durand, daughter of the late
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is the guest of Miss Marion Oliver. The
other guests were Mrs. Preston Gibson,
Mrs. Bugher, Mrs. William Barrett Ridgely,
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